

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing Of Claims:

Claim 1 (cancelled).

Claim 2 (previously cancelled).

Claim 3 (previously cancelled).

Claim 4 (new). A deer-carrier rack for attachment to a frame of an all terrain vehicle, comprising:

an attaching frame configured for attaching in an upright orientation to an end of an all-terrain vehicle, the attaching frame having a lower end and an upper end; and

a deer support frame comprising spaced apart left and right generally co-extensive elongate dog leg rods, each of the rods having an axel end rotatably attached to the lower end of the attaching frame for generally upward and downward rotation of the deer support frame relative thereto, and an outer end opposite the axel end and spaced from the lower end of the attaching frame, the outer end of each of the rods having a length which is at least two times greater than a length of the axel end thereof, and the axel ends of the rods forming a concave region adjacent to the lower end of the attaching frame, the concave region being oriented so as to face upwardly when the attaching frame is attached in the upright orientation to an end of an all terrain vehicle and the deer support frame is rotatably positioned relative thereto in a deployed position extending outwardly therefrom, the upwardly facing concave region being configured for receiving a body of a deer thereon such that the deer support frame with a body of a deer received on the concave region can be rotated from the deployed position to an upright position wherein the outer ends of the rods extend at least generally vertically and the concave region is spaced outwardly from the lower end of the attaching frame for supporting the body of a deer thereagainst, and such that the deer support frame in the upright position can be secured to the attaching frame or the all terrain vehicle for holding the body of the deer

against the lower end of the attaching frame.

Claim 5 (new). The deer-carrier rack of claim 4, wherein the axel end of the deer support frame further comprises at least one wing piece extending sidewardly therefrom adjacent to the concave region.

Claim 6 (new). The deer support frame of claim 4, wherein when the deer support frame is rotated from the deployed position to the upright position the outer ends of the rods can be rotated past vertical, with the concave region remaining spaced outwardly from the lower end of the attaching frame for supporting the body of a deer thereagainst.

Claim 7 (new). The deer support frame of claim 4, wherein each of the rods of the deer support frame is a unitary member extending continuously from the axel end to the outer end thereof.

Claim 8 (new). The deer support frame of claim 4, further comprising at least one strap configured for securing the deer support frame in the upright position to the attaching frame or the all terrain vehicle.

Claim 9 (new). A deer-carrier rack for attachment to a frame of a frame of an all terrain vehicle, comprising:

an attaching frame configured for attaching in an upright orientation to an end of an all-terrain vehicle, the attaching frame having a lower end and an upper end; and

a deer support frame comprising spaced apart left and right elongate dog leg rods, the dog leg rods having axel ends rotatably attached to the lower end of the attaching frame for generally upward and downward rotation of the deer support frame relative thereto, and outer ends opposite the axel ends and spaced from the lower end of the attaching frame, the axel ends of the rods including concave portions disposed adjacent to the lower end of the attaching frame and configured such that when the attaching frame is attached to an end of an all terrain vehicle and the deer support frame is rotatably positioned relative thereto in a deployed position, the outer ends of the dog leg rods will extend outwardly from the attaching frame and

the concave portions will face upwardly and be unobstructed so as to be configured for receiving and supporting a body of a deer thereon, and the deer support frame being rotatable upwardly from the deployed position to an upright position wherein the concave portions of the dog leg rods are spaced outwardly from the lower end of the attaching frame forming a cavity therebetween and the outer ends will extend upwardly, such that a body of a deer received and supported on the concave portions when the deer support frame is in the deployed position can be held thereon and in the cavity against the lower end of the attaching frame by the concave portions, as the attaching frame is rotated upwardly to the upright position.

Claim 10 (new). The deer-carrier rack of claim 9, wherein the axel end of the deer support frame further comprises at least one wing piece extending sidewardly therefrom adjacent to the concave region.

Claim 11 (new). The deer support frame of claim 9, wherein when the deer support frame is rotated from the deployed position to the upright position the outer ends of the rods can be rotated past vertical, with the concave region remaining spaced outwardly from the lower end of the attaching frame.

Claim 12 (new). The deer support frame of claim 9, wherein each of the rods of the deer support frame is a unitary member extending continuously from the axel end to the outer end thereof.

Claim 13 (new). The deer support frame of claim 9, further comprising at least one strap configured for securing the deer support frame in the upright position to the attaching frame or the all terrain vehicle.

Claim 14 (new). A deer-carrier rack for attachment to a frame of an all terrain vehicle, comprising:

an attaching frame configured for attaching in an upright orientation to an end of an all-terrain vehicle, the attaching frame having a lower end and an upper end; and

a deer support frame comprising spaced apart left and right generally co-extensive elongate dog leg rods, each of the rods having an axel end rotatably attached to the lower end

of the attaching frame for generally upward and downward rotation of the deer support frame relative thereto, and an outer end opposite the axel end and spaced from the lower end of the attaching frame, the outer end of each of the rods having a length which is at least two times greater than a length of the axel end thereof, and the axel ends of the rods forming a concave region adjacent to the lower end of the attaching frame, the concave region being oriented so as to face upwardly when the attaching frame is attached in the upright orientation to an end of an all terrain vehicle and the deer support frame is rotatably positioned relative thereto in a deployed position extending outwardly therefrom, the upwardly facing concave region being configured for receiving a body of a deer thereon so as to allow the deer support frame with a body of a deer received on the concave region to be rotated from the deployed position to an upright position wherein the outer ends of the rods are rotated past vertical and the concave region will be spaced outwardly from the lower end of the attaching frame for supporting the body of a deer thereagainst.

Claim 15 (new). The deer-carrier rack of claim 14, wherein the axel end of the deer support frame further comprises at least one wing piece extending sidewardly therefrom adjacent to the concave region.

Claim 16 (new). The deer support frame of claim 14, wherein when the deer support frame is rotated from the deployed position to the upright position the outer ends of the rods can be secured to the attaching frame or the vehicle for holding the body of the deer against the lower end of the attaching frame.

Claim 17 (new). The deer support frame of claim 14, wherein each of the rods of the deer support frame is a unitary member extending continuously from the axel end to the outer end thereof.

Claim 18 (new). The deer support frame of claim 14, further comprising at least one strap configured for securing the deer support frame in the upright position to the attaching frame or the all terrain vehicle.